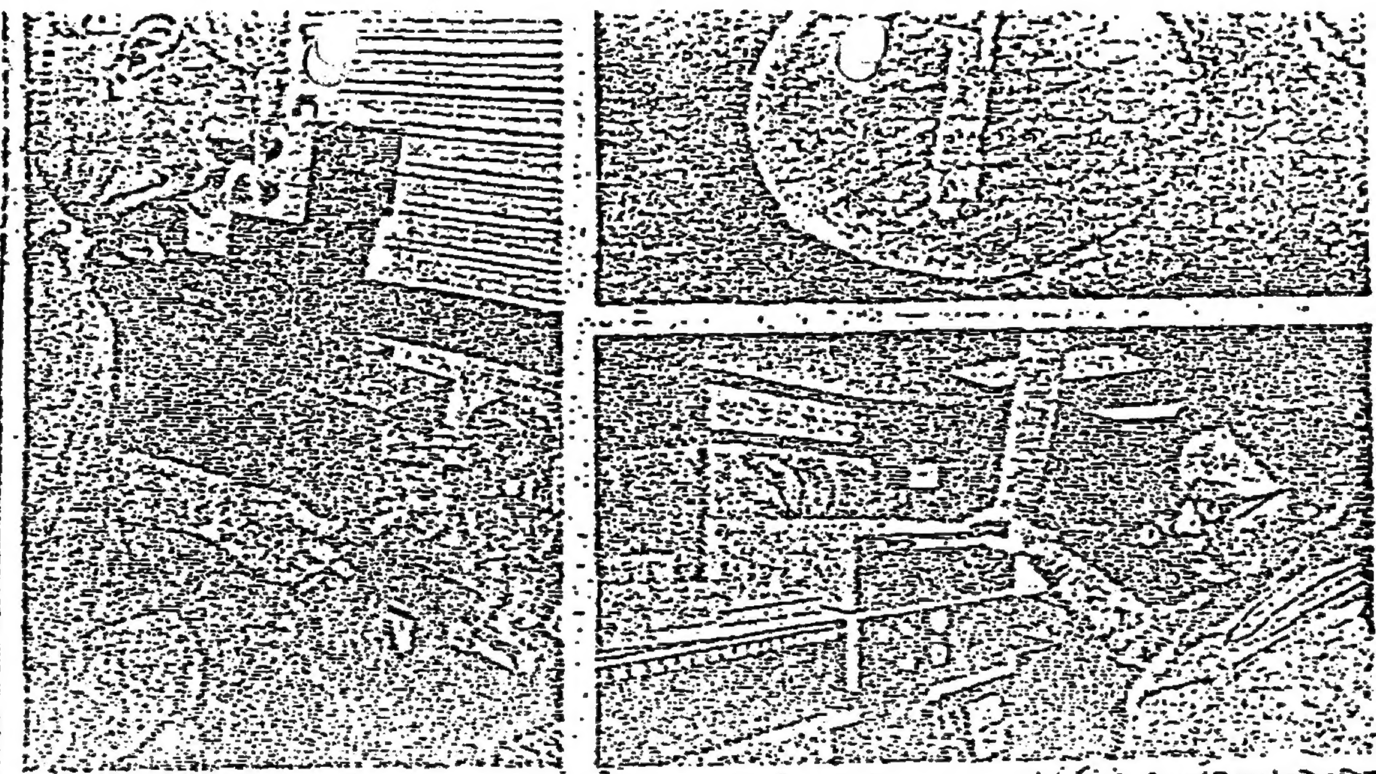

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Material Found After UFO Sighting in Cattle Mutilation Area Near Taos
Bob Schoenfeld and Assistant Edith Franklin Continue With Laboratory Tests in Albuquerque

12-13-79

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New Findings Deepen Mystery of Mutilations

By FRITZ THOMPSON
Journal Staff Writer

A semi-secret test conducted one night last summer was cited this week as providing "startling and baffling" new evidence in the mysterious cattle mutilations which have proliferated in north central New Mexico.

Further intrigue was added Tuesday with the disclosure of a previously unreported and unpublicized UFO incident near Taos less than four days before the test.

Both the test and the incident left tangible materials with similar properties. The materials have been placed under continuing analyses at an Albuquerque laboratory.

Authorities said they hope the discoveries shed fresh light on the cattle mutilation cases, although they readily acknowledge the evidence "certainly won't solve the mystery."

New Mexico, with 35 "confirmed" mutilations so far this year, has been identified as one of three states — Arkansas and Missouri are the others — exhibiting a dramatic increase in the number of reports. Combined with figures from previous years, the state has had a total of approximately 60.

The test last summer was conducted on the Manuel Gomez Ranch near Dulce, in an area where the majority of the state's mutilations have occurred. Gomez and State Police Officer Gabe Valdez penned about 120 of the Gomez beef cattle in a corral and moved them through a squeeze chute under an ultra-violet light.

During the nocturnal test, Valdez said, five animals were found "with a glittery substance on the right side of the neck, the right ear and the right leg."

Samples of the affected hides were removed, along with unaffect-

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Cattle Mutilation Mystery Deepens

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Mrs. Elias Vargas, who lives in one of the homes, said the light frightened her.

"I had just gone to bed and suddenly the room lit up with a bright orange light," she recalled. "I thought maybe the neighbors were throwing firecrackers, but then too bright to be that. I realized it was...

"I went to the window and opened it, and I could hear a kind of crackling noise. The light was so bright I could see for some distance.

"At first I thought the neighbors' house was on fire, so I went to the other window. I saw this form, it wasn't a definite form, but it was roundish and about as big as two cars, maybe bigger. By then it wasn't orange any more, it was a sort of gray color. It stayed for about two minutes. I rushed into another bedroom and opened the drapes, and it took off to the north and disappeared in two seconds. All you could see was a red light. It happened so fast. I got real scared. I don't think I went to sleep until 5 in the morning."

Mrs. Vargas said members of all three families saw the light. She said it hovered low over a space between her house and that of an immediate neighbor. A 500-gallon fuel tank and a pickup truck were directly below the object.

The next morning, she said, a thin powder was found on the roof of the pickup's cab. They collected the powder in a jar.

Eventually, the substance was given to the Schoenfeld laboratory in Albuquerque.

Schoenfeld said Tuesday initial analysis of the substance show it contains significant amounts of potassium and magnesium — the same elements found on the hides of the cattle tested four nights later.

In descending order, Schoenfeld said the residue contains calcium, sodium, potassium, aluminum, phosphorous magnesium and iron. Other elements presently identified include barium, bismuth, platinum, vanadium and strontium.

"It's possible to find all these elements in the soil," Schoenfeld said, "but they do not occur naturally in the air. If you say it was found on top of a pickup cab, there would have to be something to have moved it up there."

He described the chips of material as dull gray and about ¼ of an inch long, 1/16 of an inch wide, and about as thick as a sheet of a paper.

"I'm really not in the business of paint analysis," Schoenfeld said. "It could easily be a film of oxidized metal. We're going to do some more work with it. I'm not convinced that it's metallic or organic or what."

He said microscopic particles are imbedded in the material. "We can't really say what it is yet," he said. "For the moment, I'm baffled."

None of the authorities care to speculate on a direct tie between the residue and the substance found on the five cattle. "Right now, the only tie is the potassium and the magnesium," Burgess says, "and that's not substantial enough right now to say the two are definitely related. But it's intriguing."

One official noted mutilated cattle are generally found lying on their right side — the same side the live cattle were "marked" on.

Classic mutilation signs are a cored rectum, severed sexual organs, a severed tongue, eyes gouged out and, in some cases, a severed left ear.

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X Mutilated Cow is Discovered in Dulce Area

Journal Special 6/16

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Journal Special

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The carcasses of two cows and a calf were discovered about 9 p.m. Saturday, officer Rick Poolaw of Cuba said. "It's definitely a mutilation," he said, describing the classic signs:

The udder and rectum of each cow had been removed, and an ear of the calf was missing. They were all Herefords, and had been dead about five days, 250 yards of the ranch house.

There were no tracks.

For Carl O.

October 16, 1978

Mr. Manuel S. Gomez
General Delivery
Dulce, New Mexico 87528

Dear Manuel:

This letter is with further reference to the livestock mutilations that have been plaguing northern New Mexico and southern Colorado ranchers in recent months.

Enclosed is a letter from Chief Martin E. Vigil, Director of the New Mexico State Police, written in response to my inquiry on your behalf. Enclosed also are copies of all the mutilation reports prepared by Officer Gabe Valdez.

Officer Valdez has assuredme that his investigation is continuing, but so far has developed no positive leads as to the identity of the mutilator$s). Please be assured that I will stay in touch with the State Police, and will contact you again if any new information becomes available.

Thanks again for the opportunity to be of service, and please don't hesitate to contact my office again if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Harrison Schmitt

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Enclosures

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M A R T I N E. V I G I L director

September 19, 1978

The Honorable Harrison Schmitt
U. S. Senator for New Mexico
1251 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Schmitt:

Pursuant to your correspondence, dated July 10, 1978, regarding a request from Mr. Manuel S. Gomez of Dulce, New Mexico, for a government investigation of the mysterious livestock mutilations which have plagued Rio Arriba County for the past two years, attached hereto kindly find official New Mexico State Police Offense/Incident Reports submitted by Officer Gabe Valdez, together with reports from members of the New Mexico Livestock Board, for your informat and whatever disposition you deem appropriate.

Trusting the information is satisfactory, I remain

Very truly yours,

CHIEF MARTIN E. VIGIL, DIRECTOR
New Mexico State Police

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ENCLOSURES (26 PAGES) FOR LETTER DATED OCTOBER 16, 1978, TO MR. MANUEL S. GOMEZ

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DATE: August 1975
OWNER: Jimmy Wall - 13 miles South and 1½ miles West of Portales, N
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Calf
DATE DIED: August 28, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: vulva, udders, utren horns, terminal colon
TRACK EVIDENCE: None
INSPECTOR: Lloyd Newman

DATE: SEPTEMBER 9, 1975
OWNER: Alva A. Simpson, Jr. - Abiquiu, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Bull, hereford
DATE DIED: Between 5:30pm August 30, and 8:30pm August 31, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN: Right side
ORGANS TAKEN: Scrotum, penis, rectum
TRACK EVIDENCE: Wet ground and an elbow imprint was found
INSPECTOR: Pat Archuleta

DATE: October 4, 1975
OWNER: Mark Crowther, Sanford, Colorado
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Bull
DATE DIED: October 4, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: tongue cut out, half of left ear cut off, testicles, penis and rectum had been removed.
TRACK EVIDENCE: There was hair on logs and brush, also several trees about three inches in diameter had been broken down where it appeared he had been down prior to his deatl
INSPECTOR: Paul B. Riley

DATE: October 11, 1975
OWNER: Virgina Aycock - Springer, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Cow
DATE DIED: October 11, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: Left eye picked out, the bag had been cut out including some hide around it, that was all that was taken.
TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated
INSPECTOR: Harold Gilbert

DATE: October 11, 1975
OWNER: Sam Britt - 33 miles West of Clayton, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Hereford bull, 3 years, 1400-1500 lbs.
DATE DIED: 36-48 hours before October 11
POSITION FOUND IN: Right side
ORGANS TAKEN: Scrotum, penis, rectum
TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated
INSPECTOR: Frank Best

DATE: October 13, 1975
OWNER: Alvin Stocton - Raton, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Bull
DATE DIED: October 11, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN: Right side
ORGANS TAKEN: Scrotum, testicles, penis and end of sheath
TRACK EVIDENCE: Only those made by Mr. Stocton, Sheriff Grubilnik, and Ben Wooten
INSPECTOR: Ben Wooten

DATE: October 15, 1975
OWNER: W. F. Martin - Springer, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black bull
DATE DIED: October 15, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: Rectum, penis, testicles
TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated
INSPECTOR: Harold Gilbert

DATE: October 18, 1975
OWNER: Rock Ranch - Nara Visa, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black angus cow
DATE DIED: Found October 16 - had been dead seven to eight days prior
POSITION FOUND IN: Laying on back
ORGANS TAKEN: Rectum and vagina
TRACK EVIDENCE: None noted
INSPECTOR: Dwayne Massey

DATE: October 24, 1975
OWNER: Mark Crowther - Sanford, Colorado
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Bull, registered
DATE DIED: Had been dead three or four days
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: Testicles, penis, rectum, also tongue and left ear
TRACK EVIDENCE: Only those of bull
INSPECTOR: Paul Riley

DATE: October 29, 1975
OWNER: Sam Dunlap - Tucumcari, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Bull
DATE DIED: October 29, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: Sexual organs and tongue
TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated
INSPECTOR: D. F. Garnett

DATE: November 4, 1975
OWNER: Robert Burns - Nara Visa, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Cow, black angus
DATE DIED: Had been dead six or seven days when found
POSITION FOUND IN: Laying on back
ORGANS TAKEN: Sexual organs and tongue also left ear
TRACK EVIDENCE: None specified - varmits had eatten on the animal
INSPECTOR: D. F. Garnett

DATE: November 5, 1975
OWNER: C. A. Ragland - Tucumcari, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Heifer calf, 450 lbs.
DATE DIED: November 5, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: All sex organs, bag skinned off, flesh gone
TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated
INSPECTOR: D. F. Garnett

DATE: November 11, 1975
OWNER: Herman Riley -
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black cow
DATE DIED: November 11, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN: Right side
ORGANS TAKEN: Tongue, eye (exposed)
TRACK EVIDENCE: None
INSPECTOR: Mel Sedillo, Jr.

DATE: November 11, 1975
OWNER: Forrest Atchley -
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: 6 to 7 mo. old steer calf, black-mottle faced, still on mother.
DATE DIED: November 8 or 9, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN:
ORGANS TAKEN: Rectum
TRACK EVIDENCE: None noticed
INSPECTOR: Dwayne Massey

DATE: November 13, 1975
OWNER: M & M Feed Lot -
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Yearling heifer
DATE DIED: November 12, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN: Right side
ORGANS TAKEN: Udder and sexual organs
TRACK EVIDENCE: None
INSPECTOR: Bud Mc Adams

DATE: November 16, 1975
OWNER: Bert Cox - Quemado, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Cow
DATE DIED: October 24, 1975
POSITION FOUND IN: Laying on back
ORGANS TAKEN: None
TRACK EVIDENCE: None reported
INSPECTOR: Tom Wagner

DATE: January 19, 1976

OWNER: Sam Griego - Pintada, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black Motley face

DATE DIED: December 26, 1975

POSITION FOUND IN: Left side

ORGANS TAKEN: Cut all of the rectum, udder, two holes on jugler vei on right side, hole in between front legs, a little b which looked like they might want to get to the heart Two holes on back in front of hip bones same size as t ones in neck, one to each side of spine right across, looked like they were made from the air while cow was standing up. All sexual organs and udder were taken.

TRACK EVIDENCE: None except for bird tracks

INSPECTOR: Pete B. Marez

DATE: January 19, 1976

OWNER: Dipper Cattle Company - Pintada, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Crossbred red motley face

DATE DIED: December 19, 1975

POSITION FOUND IN: Left side

ORGANS TAKEN: All sexual organs and tongue

TRACK EVIDENCE: None

INSPECTOR: Pete B. Marez

DATE: February 14, 1976

OWNER: Rhea Howe - Engle, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: 2 yr. old Charloais-Hereford heifer, 700 lbs.

DATE DIED: Between February 11 and 13, 1976

POSITION FOUND IN: Back and left side

ORGANS TAKEN: Udder

TRACK EVIDENCE: Rained night before

INSPECTOR: Tom Bennett

DATE: April 23, 1976

OWNER: Pete Gutierrez - Chilli, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Blue Roan Mare

DATE DIED: Night of April 22 or 23, 1976

POSITION FOUND IN: Laying on her back

ORGANS TAKEN: Bag area and rectum area

TRACK EVIDENCE: Numerous track of coyote's (or dog) in evidence

INSPECTOR: A. J. Gibbs

DATE: May 19, 1976

OWNER: Sharp Ranch - Corona, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black angus bull

DATE DIED: May 15, 1976

POSITION FOUND IN: Left side on back

ORGANS TAKEN: Testicles removed

TRACK EVIDENCE: None

INSPECTOR: Claude Foster

DATE: June 29, 1976

OWNER: Tony Lamb -

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Yearling steer

DATE DIED: 48 hours prior to date

POSITION FOUND IN: Left side

ORGANS TAKEN: Right ear and right eye, the tongue, circle cut out at his navel, penis was gone, and he had also been cut around his rectum.

TRACK EVIDENCE: None stated

INSPECTOR: Harold Gilbert

DATE: July 10, 1976

OWNER:

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Buffalo calf

DATE DIED: July 10, 1976

POSITION FOUND IN:

ORGANS TAKEN: Tongue, testicles and penis. Cut at the rectum, also gone was large intestine.

TRACK EVIDENCE: A white helocopter was seen the morning of July 8

DATE: July 1, 1976

OWNER: Stanley Cisneros - Questa, New Mexico

ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Solid red cow - pregnant

DATE DIED: June 29 or June 30, 1976

POSITION FOUND IN: Laying on right side

ORGANS TAKEN: Left eye; udder was cut off

TRACK EVIDENCE: None

INSPECTOR: Milton Culbertson

DATE: August 24, 1976
OWNER: Charles Linder, Hernandez, New Mexico
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: 3½ month old Charloais bull calf
DATE DIED: August 21, 1976
POSITION FOUND IN: Left side
ORGANS TAKEN: Penis and testicles
TRACK EVIDENCE: None
INSPECTOR: Jim Byrd

DATE: September 8, 1976
OWNER: Pacific Western Land Company
ANIMAL DESCRIPTION: Black cross bred steer calf, 4 mo. old
DATE DIED: September 5 or 6, 1976
POSITION FOUND IN: Left side
ORGANS TAKEN: Rectum and tail removed
TRACK EVIDENCE: None
INSPECTOR: Gene Donohoe

Date - Summer 1977
Owner - Tom McCauley + Son Cliff, N. Mex.
Animal Descrip - white face Herford Bull
Date Died - Summer
Position found - on Left Side
Organs Taken - Eyes, Tongue, Rectum, Penis, Testicles
Track Evidence - none
Pictures in possession of owners.
Location - Rock House Canyon mesa.
Investigator - unknown, probably sheriff's office Silver
Info. supplied by Sgt. Joe Ortega NMSP -

MUTILATION REPORT

INITALLY REPORTED BY - Howard Crowther DATE 7/10/78

OWNER NAME - Howard Crowther, Sanford Color

ANIMAL DISCRIPTION - White Face Bull - (Approx. 1yr ol

DATE ANIMAL DIED OR WAS MUTILATED (AS ACCURATE AS POSSIBLE) - This A Was mutilated on the night of 7/5/78

POSITION ANIMAL WAS WHEN FIRST SEEN (RIGHT OR LEFT SIDE) - Laying on R.

DATE ANIMAL WAS LAST SEEN - 7/5/78

AREAS MUTILATED - Rectal Area, Penis and Testicles we removed from animal, Tongue was also gone

ORGANS TAKEN (DESCRIBE IN DETAIL) -

TRACK EVIDENCE (ANIMAL, VEHICLE, BIRDS, ETC.) - Only Tracks we those of birds.

DISTANCE FROM PUBLIC ROAD ON RESIDENCE - 137 steps from a pu Road - About 250 yards from residence

ALWAYS TAKE PHOTOGRAPH OF CARCASS AND SCENE.

Jim Boyd
INSPECTOR

24 - Chama,
DISTRICT

[illegible] REPORTING OFFICER [illegible]

1. AGENCY: New Mexico State Police | ORI NM 07 | CASE NUMBER | 3. FILE NUMBER

EVENT

5. INCIDENT TYPE: Cattle Mutilation Winter

6. PREMISE TYPE (Circle One)

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3	Service Station	6	Ba
7	Ranch		

7. INCIDENT LOCATION: 13 miles East of Dulce on Manuel Gomez's Ranch | GEO 17

8. INCIDENT DATE: 06-13-76 | Time: unk | to DATE | Time

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER: YES | X NO | UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circle One): 1 Gun | 2 Cutting Tool | 3 — undetermined

11. COMPLAINANTS: Manuel Gomez

12. ADDRESS: P. O. Box 372, Dulce, N. M. 87528 | 13. 759-

VICTIM

14. VICTIM'S NAME: Manuel Gomez | 15. Race: A | 16. Sex: M | 17. Date of Birth: 07-09-23 | 18. 759

19. ADDRESS | 20. OCCUPATION | 21.

SUBJECT

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WARRANT | 23. Soc. Sec. No. | 24. Race | 25. Sex | 26

27. ADDRESS | 28. Age | 29. Height | 30. Weight | 31. Hair | 32.

22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WARRANT | 23. Soc. Sec. No. | 24. Race | 25. Sex | 26

27. ADDRESS | 28. Age | 29. Height | 30. Weight | 31. Hair | 32.

VEHICLE

34. VALUE | 35. COLOR | 36. YEAR | 37. VEHICLE MAKE | 38. MODEL | 39. STYLE

40. VIN | 41. LICENSE NO. | 42. LIS | 43. LIY | 44. VEHICLE STATUS

NARRATIVE

45. See attached

U.C.R.

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT $ | 47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE: Sale/Mfg, Use | 48. TYPE | 49. WEIGHT | 50.

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERTY: Stolen Locally-Recovered … | Stolen Locally-Recovered … | Stolen Other-Recovered …

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTED: 06-13-76

54. DATE REPORT PREPARED: 12-15-76

ADMINISTRATIVE

55. CASE STATUS: [X] Active | [ ] Cleared by Arrest | [ ] Unfounded, Explain

Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

On 06-13-76 at approximately 8:00 p.m. Mr. Manuel Gomez, Dulce, N. M. contacted writer by public service stating that he had found a three year old cow at his ranch which appeared to have been mutilated and that he would like for writer to check into it. Writer advised Mr. Gomez that he was on day off and that he would proceed there at 5:00 a.m. on 06-14-76.

Writer contacted Mr. Paul Riley of the New Mexico Cattle Sanitary Board and proceeded to the Gomez Ranch. Upon arrival at the ranch, it was observed that the only vehicle tracks were those of Mr. Gomez's pick up. Since his ranch is locked up and the only entrance is through the gate used by writer. At the scene, writer examined the carcass of a 3 yr. old black White-Faced cow which was lying on it's right side. The left ear, the tongue, the utter, and the rectum had been removed with what appeared to be a sharp precise instrument. No traces of blood were left on the skin of the cow. The hide on the underneath side of the cow was white so that spotting of blood would have been easily detected. Other evidence on the cow was a small puncture on the brisket. No other evidence was available as to cause of death.

Investigation continued around the area and revealed that a suspected aircraft of some type had landed twice, leaving three pod marks positioned in a triangular shape. The diameter of each pod mark was 14". The perimeter around the three pods was 16½' (6'X5'X5½'). Emanating from the two landings were smaller triangular shaped tripods 28" apart and 4" in diameter. Investigation at the scene showed that these small tripods had followed the cow for approximately 600'. Tracks of the cow showed where she had struggled and fallen. The small tripod tracks were all around the cow. Other evidence showed that grass around the tripods, as they followed the cow, had been scorched. Also a yellow oily substance was located in two places under the small tripods. This substance was submitted to the State Police Lab. The Lab was unable to detect the content of the substance.

A sample of the substance was submitted to a private lab and they were unable to analyze the substance due to the fact that it disappeared or dissentigrated. Skin samples were analyzed by the State Police Lab and the Medical Examiner's office. It was reported that the skin had been cut with a sharp instrument.

On 06-17-76 writer contacted a Mr. Howard Burgess from Albuquerque, N. M. to proceed to the scene and conduct a radiation test. This was 3 days after the incident had occured. His findings were that around the tripod marks and in the immediate tracks, the radiation level was twice the normal background reading. Mr. Burgess's qualifications may be checked as he is a retired scientist from Sandia Lab, Albuquerque, N. M. It is the opinion of this writer that radiation findings are deliberately being left at the scene to confuse investigators.

There was also evidence that the tripod marks had returned and removed the left ear. Tripod marks were found over Mr. Gomez's tire tracks of his original visit. The left ear was in tact when Mr. Gomez first found the cow.

The cow had a 3 month old calf which has not been located since the incident This appears strange since a small calf normally stays around the mother cow even though the cow is dead.

Writer has conducted an intensive investigation into approximately 23 cattle mutilations which have been reported in the state of New Mexico within the last 16 months. They all carry the same pattern. Also during this investigation writer has been able to determine that on one of the mutilated cows which occured in New Mexico, a high dosage of Atropine insecticide was analysed in the blood system. This substance is a tranquilizing drug. The Los Alamos Scientific Research Laboratory has conducted a necropsy on several animals including a buffalo, which revealed that the animals had been highly infected with Black Leg.

Investigation has also revealed that on all cattle mutilations which have occured in New Mexico and surrounding states, that the object of the mutilations has been the lymph node system.

This writer has been assisting Sheriff Tex Graves, Logan County , Sterling, Colorado. Samples from Logan County mutilated cows were brought by this writer to be analysed by three private chemists, as it appears that the Government associated laboritories are not reporting complete findings. The substance which was on the cow (mutilated in Logan County) was analysed as containing an ion exchange resin and Vitamin B_{12}. Writer is working with Sheriff Graves due to the fact that Sheriff Graves has been unable to get cooperation from Colorado State University in the analysis of samples. These trips have been made on writer's own time and at his own expense. Writer has contacted several states where these mutilations exist over the 1000 mark.

During this period of investigation several theories have been thoroughly checked out such as a "Satan Worshipers" group and preditors. Both have been ruled out due to expertise and preciseness and the cost involved to conduct such a sophisticated and secretive operation. It should also be noted that during the Spring of 1974 when a tremendous amount of cattle were lost due to heavy snowfalls, the carcasses had been eaten by preditors. These carcasses did not resemble the carcasses of the mutilated cows.

Investigation has narrowed down to these theories which involve (1) Experimental use of Vitamin B_{12} and (2) The testing of the lymph node system. During this investigation an intensive study has been made of (3) What is involved in germ warfare testing, and the possible correlation of these 3 factors (germ warfare testing, use of Vitamin B_{12}, testing of the lymph Node System).

Investigation is continuing on this case.

Respectfully submitted,

Gabriel L. Va[signature]

Gabriel L. Valdez
New Mexico State Police

5. INCIDENT TYPE: Cattle Mutilation

6. PREMISE TYPE (Circle): 1 Highway | 2 Commerce | 3 Service Station | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 Ranch

7. INCIDENT LOCATION: Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico Max Salazar's Ranch — **GEO** 17

8. INCIDENT DATE: 06-18-78 — **Time** 1:00 — **to DATE** — **Time**

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER: YES | (NO) | UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circle): 1 Gun | 2 Cutting Tool — Unknown

11. COMPLAINANTS: Max Salazar

12. ADDRESS: P.O. Box 15 Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico

14. VICTIM'S NAME: Max Salazar — **15. Race** A — **16. Sex** M — **17. Date of Birth** 03-01-25

19. ADDRESS: Box 15 Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico

20. OCCUPATION: Rancher

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — **23. Soc. Sec. No.** — **24. Race** — **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS — **28. Age** — **29. Height** — **30. Weight** — **31. Hair**

22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — **23. Soc. Sec. No.** — **24. Race** — **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS — **28. Age** — **29. Height** — **30. Weight** — **31. Hair**

VEHICLE: 34. VALUE — 35. COLOR — 36. YEAR — 37. VEHICLE MAKE — 38. MODEL — 39. STYLE

40. VIN — 41. LICENSE NO. — 42. LIS — 43. LIY — 44. VEHICLE STATUS

45. NARRATIVE: This two year [old] cross Hereford and Black Angus [native] cow was found dead by Mr. Salazar approximately 500 yards from his residence in Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico. The c[ow] was laying on it's left side. The front left leg was broken. The rectum was par[tially] removed in a precise manner but for some reason the mutilation was not completed. Mr. Salazar's ranch is approximately 2 miles East of Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico o[n] U.S. 64. The only entrance to Mr. Salazar's ranch would be through his driveway w[hich] is beside his house. This cow had been dead approximately 1½ days. This animal [was too] decomposed to conduct any tests. This investigation was conducted by NMSP officer Joe Mascarenas and New Mexico Cattle Inspector Jim Reed and writer. Investigation continues.

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT: $ 400.00 — **47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE:** Sale/Mfg | Poss. — **48. TYPE** — **49. WEIGHT**

U.C.R.

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERTY: Stolen Locally-Recovered | Stolen Locally-Recovered | Stolen Other-Recovered

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTED: 06-18-78

54. DATE REPORT PREPARED: 08-11-78

ADMINISTRATIVE — 55. CASE STATUS: [X] Active | [ ] Cleared by Arrest | [ ] Unfounded, Explain | [ ] Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

56. REPORTING OFFICER (Signature & Number): [signature]

57. APPROVING OFFICER (Signature & Number): [signature]

EVENT

5. INCIDENT TYPE: Mutilation

6. PREMISE TYPE (Cir

1	Highway	4	
2	Commerce	5	
3	Service Station	6	
7	Undetermined		

7. INCIDENT LOCATION: Manuel Gomez's Ranch Dulce, New Mexico — **GEO** 17

8. INCIDENT DATE 04-22-78 **Time** 4:00PM **to DATE** **Time**

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER: (YES) | NO | UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circ 1 Gun | 2 Cutting Tool — Undetermined

11. COMPLAINANTS: Manuel Gomez

12. ADDRESS: P.O. Box 373, Dulce, New Mexico

VICTIM

14. VICTIM'S NAME: Manuel Gomez

15. Race: A **16. Sex:** M **17. Date of Birth:** 07-09-38

19. ADDRESS: P.O. Box 372, Dulce, New Mexico

20. OCCUPATION: Self Employed

SUBJECT

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — **23. Soc. Sec. No.** — **24. Race** — **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS — **28. Age** — **29. Height** — **30. Weight** — **31. Hair** — **3**

22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — **23. Soc. Sec. No.** — **24. Race** — **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS — **28. Age** — **29. Height** — **30. Weight** — **31. Hair** — **3**

VEHICLE

34. VALUE — **35. COLOR** — **36. YEAR** — **37. VEHICLE MAKE** — **38. MODEL** — **39. STYLE**

40. VIN — **41. LICENSE NO.** — **42. LIS** — **43. LIY** — **44. VEHICLE STATUS**

NARRATIVE

45. This investigation of a 12 month old Charlois bull is similar to the mutilation w occured on 4-24-78. However, this 12 month old bull was very decomposed and appe have been dead approximately 5 days. The sex organs had been surgically removed. The lip had also been removed. No samples of tissue were taken due to the decomposit of the carcass. Not tracks were detectable due to lapse of time. Investigation continuing.

U.C.R.

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT: $ 500.00

47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE: Sale/Mfg — Poss. **48. TYPE** **49. WEIGHT** **50.**

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERT
- Stolen Locally-Recover
- Stolen Locally-Recover
- Stolen Other-Recovere

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTED: 04-28-78 | 4

54. DATE REPORT PREPARE: 07-31-78

ADMINISTRATIVE

55. CASE STATUS

[x] Active [ ] Cleared by Arrest [ ] Unfounded, Explain

[ ] Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

56. REPORTING OFFICER (Signature & Number): Gabriel L. Valdez 525-96-7826

57. APPROVING OFFICER (Signature & Number): [illegible]

COPIES: White, Pink, Golden - AGENCY Yellow - STATE (UCR)

EVENT

5. INCIDENT TYPE
Cattle Mutilation

6. PREMISE TYPE (Circ…

1	Highway	4
2	Commerce	5
3	Service Station	6
7	Ranch	

7. INCIDENT LOCATION
Howard's Vigil's Ranch Dulce, New Mexico

GEO 17

8. INCIDENT DATE 05-28-78 **Time** 10:00 AM **to** **DATE** **Time**

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER YES (NO) UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circ…
1 Gun | 2 Cutting Tool
Unknown

11. COMPLAINANTS
Howard Vigil

12. ADDRESS
Gen Del Dulce, New Mexico

VICTIM

14. VICTIM'S NAME
Howard Vigil

15. Race I **16. Sex** **17. Date of Birth** 03-04-30

19. ADDRESS
Gen Del Dulce, New Mexico

20. OCCUPATION
Auto Mechanic

SUBJECT

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED | **23. Soc. Sec. No.** | **24. Race** | **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS | **28. Age** | **29. Height** | **30. Weight** | **31. Hair**

22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED | **23. Soc. Sec. No.** | **24. Race** | **25. Sex**

27. ADDRESS | **28. Age** | **29. Height** | **30. Weight** | **31. Hair**

VEHICLE

34. VALUE | **35. COLOR** | **36. YEAR** | **37. VEHICLE MAKE** | **38. MODEL** | **39. STYLE**

40. VIN | **41. LICENSE NO.** | **42. LIS** | **43. LIY** | **44. VEHICLE STATUS**

NARRATIVE

45. These two four-year old, native Herford cows were too decomposed to perform any tests o…
The same pattern of mutilation exists with rectum and sex organs percisely removed…
Both cows were laying on their left side with left front leg and left rear leg br…
which indicates that animals were lifted by their extremities. This is a recent dev…
in the pattern of cattle mutilations. These two four year old native cows had be…
dead approximately 5 days when owner found them. Pinkish blood from nose was vis…
Evidence of turbulence from an aircraft was apparent. Investigation continues.

U.C.R.

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT $ 800.00

47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE Sale/Mfg | Poss.

48. TYPE | **49. WEIGHT**

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERT…
- Stolen Locally-Recove…
- Stolen Locally-Recove…
- Stolen Other-Recover…

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTE… 05-28-78

54. DATE REPORT PREPAR… 06-11-78

ADMINISTRATIVE

55. CASE STATUS

[x] Active [ ] Cleared by Arrest [ ] Unfounded, Explain

[ ] Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

56. REPORTING OFFICER (Signature & Number) Gabriel L. Valdez 53-01-703

57. APPROVING OFFICER (Signature & Number) [signature]

5. INCIDENT TYPE
Cattle Mutilation

6. PREMISE TYPE (Circle

1	Highway	4	C
2	Commerce	5	R
3	Service Station	6	B
7	Ranch		

7. INCIDENT LOCATION
Robert Rodela's Ranch Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico

GEO 17

8. INCIDENT DATE 07-12-78 **Time** 1:00PM **to DATE** **Time**

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER YES (NO) UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circle
1 Gun 2 Cutting Tool
Unknown

11. COMPLAINANTS
Robert Rodela

12. ADDRESS
P.O. Box 74 Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico

14. VICTIM'S NAME
Robert Rodela

15. Race A **16. Sex** M **17. Date of Birth** 10-26-39

19. ADDRESS
P.O. Box 74 Tierra Amarilla, New Mexico

20. OCCUPATION
Security Guard

SUBJECT

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED | 23. Soc. Sec. No. | 24. Race | 25. Sex
27. ADDRESS | 28. Age | 29. Height | 30. Weight | 31. Hair | 32.
22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED | 23. Soc. Sec. No. | 24. Race | 25. Sex
27. ADDRESS | 28. Age | 29. Height | 30. Weight | 31. Hair | 32.

VEHICLE

34. VALUE | 35. COLOR | 36. YEAR | 37. VEHICLE MAKE | 38. MODEL | 39. STYLE
40. VIN | 41. LICENSE NO. | 42. LIS | 43. LIY | 44. VEHICLE STATUS

NARRATIVE

45. This two year old cross Hereford and Black Angus native cow had been dead ap
8 to 10 days and was badly decomposed. The tongue, left ear, utter, and rect
were precisely removed. Animal was laying on left side. Both left front leg
left rear leg were broken. This pregnant cow was carrying a fetus. The fetu
been pulled out and the head of the fetus precisely removed. Other mutilated
had not been pregnant. This is the first time which a mutilated fetus has be
found in this area. This mutilation occured approximately ½ mile East of the
Max Salazar's ranch. (site of a previous mutilation). The only entrance to
Rodella's ranch is through a steel gate which remains locked at all times. T
was no visable evidence of aircraft activity. Whiter was assisted in this inv
gation by Cattle Inspector Jim Byrd, Chama, New Mexico. Investigation contin

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT $500.00

47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE Sale/Mfg Poss. **48. TYPE** **49. WEIGHT** **50.**

U.C.R.

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERTY
- [ ] Stolen Locally-Recover
- [ ] Stolen Locally-Recover
- [ ] Stolen Other-Recovere

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTED 07-12-78

54. DATE REPORT PREPARE 08-11-78

ADMINISTRATIVE

55. CASE STATUS
- [x] Active
- [ ] Cleared by Arrest
- [ ] Unfounded, Explain
- [ ] Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

56. REPORTING OFFICER (Signature & Number)
[signature] 525-96-7821

57. APPROVING OFFICER (Signature & Number)
[signature]

EVENT

5. INCIDENT TYPE: Cattle Mutilation

6. PREMISE TYPE (Circle

1	Highway	4	
2	Commerce	5	
3	Service Station	6	
7	Ranch		

7. INCIDENT LOCATION: Rawleigh Tafoya's Ranch 23 miles west of Dulce, N.M. — GEO 17

8. INCIDENT DATE: 05-11-78 — Time 10.00 PM — to DATE — Time

9. STRANGER TO STRANGER: YES / (NO) / UNK

10. WEAPON TYPE (Circle: 1 Gun — 2 Cutting Tool — Unknown

11. COMPLAINANTS: Rawleigh Tafoya

12. ADDRESS: Gen Del Dulce, New Mexico

13. 75

VICTIM

14. VICTIM'S NAME: Rawleigh Tafoya

15. Race: I — 16. Sex: M — 17. Date of Birth: 06-24-37 — 18. 75

19. ADDRESS: Gen Del Dulce, New Mexico

20. OCCUPATION: Police Officer — 21. 75

SUBJECT

22. NAME NO. 1 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — 23. Soc. Sec. No. — 24. Race — 25. Sex

27. ADDRESS — 28. Age — 29. Height — 30. Weight — 31. Hair — 32.

22. NAME NO. 2 (Circle One) PARENT SUSPECT WITNESS WANTED — 23. Soc. Sec. No. — 24. Race — 25. Sex

27. ADDRESS — 28. Age — 29. Height — 30. Weight — 31. Hair — 32.

VEHICLE

34. VALUE — 35. COLOR — 36. YEAR — 37. VEHICLE MAKE — 38. MODEL — 39. STYLE

40. VIN — 41. LICENSE NO. — 42. LIS — 43. LIY — 44. VEHICLE STATUS

NARRATIVE

45. This four year old cross Hereford and Black Angus native cow was found lying on left side with rectum, sex organs, tongue, and ears removed. Pinkish blood from was visable, and after two days the blood still had not coagulated. Left front a Left rear leg were pulled out of their sockets apparently from the weight of the which indicates that it was lifted and dropped back to the ground. The ground ar and under the cow was soft and showed indentations where the cow had been droppe 600 yards away from the cow were the 4" circular indentations similar to the ones found at the Manuel Gomez ranch on 4-23-78. This cow had been dead approximately hours and was too decomposed to extract samples. This is the first in a series o mutilations in which the cows legs are broken. Previously the animals had been li from the brisket with a strap. These mutilated animals all dehydrate rapidly (one or two days). Investigation continues.

46. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT: $ 400.00 — 47. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE: [ ] Sale/Mfg [ ] Poss. — 48. TYPE — 49. WEIGHT — 50.

U.C.R.

51.	CURRENCY	JEWELRY	CLOTHING	VEHICLES
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	TV, RADIO, Etc.	FIREARMS	HOUSEHOLD
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$
	CONSUMABLES	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	TOTAL
Stolen	$	$	$	$
Recovered	$	$	$	$

52. RECOVERED PROPERTY
- [ ] Stolen Locally-Recovere
- [ ] Stolen Locally-Recover
- [ ] Stolen Other-Recovere

53. DATE OFFENSE REPORTED: 05-11-78

54. DATE REPORT PREPARED: 07-11-78

ADMINISTRATIVE

55. CASE STATUS
- [X] Active
- [ ] Cleared by Arrest
- [ ] Unfounded, Explain
- [ ] Exceptionally Cleared, Explain

56. REPORTING OFFICER (Signature & Number): Gabriel L. Valdez 525-96-7821

57. APPROVING OFFICER (Signature & Number): [signature]